## SUMMARY OF REVISIONS TO DOCTRINE ANNEX 3-61, PUBLIC AFFAIRS

## **Purpose:**

Provide a summary of the key changes to Annex 3-61, *Public Affairs* 

## **Summary of Key Changes:**

- Clarifies PA's role concerning the U.S. Space Force
- Added section to the Introduction that increases alignment with JP 3-0, Ch 1, mainly the "inform Domestic, International, and Internal Audiences" task associated with the Information Joint Function. We based this on the currently published JP3-0 as the extant publication.
- Introduces "Operations in the Information Environment (OIE)"
  - Clarifies PA capabilities and how they are applied to OIE
  - Uses OIE definition from the HQ USAF/A3 Memorandum for C2 of Operations in the Information Environment (OIE) Working Group, dated 1 May 2020 (attached). This memo identifies and clarifies information related terms that will enable Airmen to communicate with precision and consistency across the Air Force and with Joint partners. Establishing these terms will provide a clearer application of information as a Joint Function and increase the Air Force's effectiveness in operations across the competition continuum.
  - Replaced Information Superiority with "Information Advantage"; emergent joint doctrine is steering away from the concept of information superiority because of the complexity and scope of the Information Environment. The lead agent for the Information JP made the decision to not discuss information superiority.
- Updated the Information Environment Doctrine Topic Module (DTM)
  - Descriptions are derived from the draft DepSecDef IE and OIE terminology memo (both are attached) and reflect the current understanding in the draft JP 3-XX "Information". The IE description also allows a more technical definition to nest within the description.
- Changed DTM Title of "Public Affairs Relationship to Information Operations" to "Public Affairs Relationship to Information"
  - ❖ Also added text on to incorporate emergent OIE, IW concepts, and doctrine as well as PA's relation to these concepts and the Information Joint Function